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HOUSE BILL NO. 176

BY REPRESENTATIVE ANDERS

AGRICULTURE: Clarifies the minimum deficiency assessment and inspection fee for commercial feeds

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 3:1400(A)(introductory paragraph) and 1401(C)(1), relative to
3 commercial feeds; to clarify the minimum deficiency assessment; to clarify
4 minimum inspection fees; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 3:1400(A)(introductory paragraph) and 1401(C)(1) are hereby
7 amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §1400. Deficiency assessments; enforcement

9 A. If a given lot or shipment of feed is found by official sample and analysis
10 to be deficient in one or more of the guaranteed feeding units, a deficiency
11 assessment of no less than ten dollars, shall be assessed against the registrant with
12 respect to the lot or shipment of feed in question in accordance with the following
13 provisions:

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15 §1401. Fees

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17 C.(1) Except as provided in Subsection E of this Section, each registrant who
18 manufactures a commercial or customer-formula feed for distribution in this state
19 shall pay the commission an inspection fee of one dollar per ton on all commercial
20 feed sold in the state. Payment of the inspection fee shall be made on the basis of

tonnage reports submitted to the commission by the registrants of commercial feeds;
however, the minimum inspection fee due for each quarter shall be ten dollars.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for a minimum deficiency assessment and a quarterly minimum inspection fee for commercial feeds.

Present law provides for a deficiency assessment against a commercial feed registrant if a shipment of feed is found by official sample to be deficient in one or more guaranteed feeding units

Proposed law clarifies that the minimum deficiency assessment shall be \$10. Otherwise retains present law.

Present law provides for quarterly tonnage reports and inspection fees to be submitted by commercial feed registrants to the La. Feed, Fertilizer, and Agricultural Liming Commission. Further provides for certain penalties if payment is not made within 30 days of specific due dates.

Proposed law clarifies that the minimum quarterly inspection fee shall be \$10. Otherwise retains present law.

(Amends R.S. 3:1400(A)(intro. para.) and 1401(C)(1))